

LEE IS CONVINCED OF HIS INNOCENCE

Believes He Can Prove Richeson
Did Not Murder Avis
Linnell.

Boston, Mass., November 3.—That some other man than his client gave Avis Linnell the poison from which she died, was the assertion to-day of John L. Lee, of Lynchburg, Va., senior counsel for Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Cambridge, who is under indictment by the grand jury, charged with murder. Before Mr. Lee left Boston for his home to-day to clear up some business affairs, he discussed the Linnell murder briefly.

"Mr. Richeson is innocent," he said. "Of that I am convinced. My talks with him, my own observation of the case and my conferences with counsel have opened up to me by which I shall eventually free him."

Beyond saying that he hoped to accumulate enough evidence to satisfy a jury of the guilt of another man, Mr. Lee would not speak of the plans of the defense.

The remarks of the attorney were taken as indicating that the defense would not advance the suicide theory to explain the girl's death.

The first authentic protestation of the Rev. Mr. Richeson's innocence of the murder of Miss Linnell was made public to-day, when the text of his letter resigning the pastorate of Immanuel Baptist Church was given out.

The letter, dated November 1, and addressed to Charles F. Cummings, clerk of the church, is as follows:

"My Dear Sir,—I beg to herewith tender my resignation as pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Strong in the consciousness of my innocence, and firmly persuaded that God in His goodness will lift this burden from me. I nevertheless feel that I should not permit the shadow thrown across my life to darken the religious welfare of my church and its people, whom I love. I therefore deem it my duty to place the church in a position to select my successor. With my heartfelt thanks for the many kindnesses shown me by each and all of the members of my church, I am,

"Sincerely yours,
"CLARENCE V. T. RICHESON."

PLAN TO CURTAIL COTTON

Drastic Measures Proposed to Raise

Columbia, S. C., November 3.—Urging the holding of every available bale of cotton until September 1, 1912, if necessary, for a price of 12 cents per pound, and the reduction of acreage next year to not exceeding 60 per cent. of the arable lands of the farmers, telegrams were dispatched to-day from the office of E. J. Watson, president of the Southern Cotton Congress, to each Commissioner of Agriculture, and each State president of farmers' unions in the States throughout the cotton belt. The plan aims to effect an immediate and belt-wide retirement of cotton from the market and follows an action taken by the farmers' convention here last night.

In substance, the plan calls for looks of agreement to be opened in every county throughout the belt in which farmers will be asked to sign pledges to hold a stated number of bales of cotton until September 1, or until a price of 12 cents is reached. Farmers not so asked to pledge themselves not to cultivate more than 60 per cent. of their lands in cotton next year. An assessment of 2 cents per bale is called for from cotton growers to pay expenses of the campaign.

FLIGHT PRIZE \$100,000

Harry Atwood Preparing to Cross

South America in Aeroplane.
Worcester, Mass., November 3.—Harry N. Atwood, the aviator, who made a world's record on his flight from St. Louis to New York last summer, is completing preparations to fly across the South American continent. He will obtain \$100,000 if the flight is successful.

The route which will take him across the South American continent will touch Bahia and Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, Montevideo in Uruguay, Buenos Aires in the Argentine Republic, and Valparaiso, Chile.

FIRE LOSS, \$850,000

Business Section of London, Ont.,

Devoured by Flames.
London, Ont., November 3.—Fire to-day in the business section of the city caused a loss of \$850,000 and deprived 100 persons of employment. The fire originated in the store of J. H. Chapman & Co. The plants of the Purdon Hardware Company, the Chapman Company and many others were totally destroyed.

The firemen were in constant danger from falling walls, but no one was seriously injured.

Goes With Husband Deer Hunting.

Cadillac, Mich., November 3.—Feeling that her husband may be shot

while pursuing deer, and determined that if his side in case an accident does occur, Mrs. Claud Whitney procured a deer hunting license yesterday. Incidentally, she intends to do a little hunting herself.

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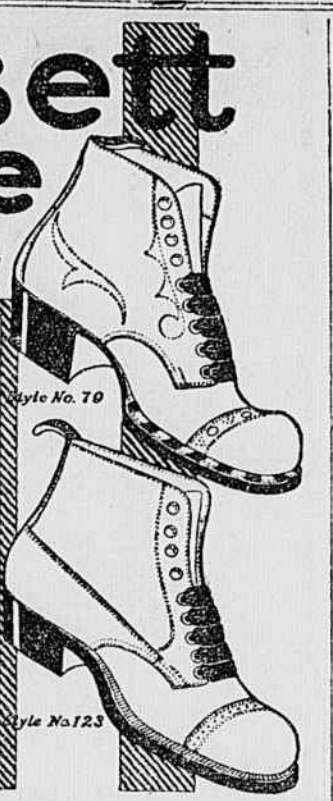
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PARTY CHAIRMAN ASKS FOR FUNDS

As Commonwealth's Attorney
Warns Against Election
Frauds.

Bristol, Va., November 3.—The finding of a letter signed by R. J. Summers, as Republican chairman of Washington county, calling for funds with which to organize the party for the November election, and which stated that funds were badly needed and would be placed where they would do the most good, proved a distinct shock to the plans of the Republicans, in view of the positive warning served upon the people of the county by the same R. J. Summers, in the capacity of Commonwealth's attorney. In the letter of warning, which was published in the county, Mr. Summers stated that on November 2 he would demand a special grand jury for the purpose of investigating any election frauds and any purchase of votes that might have been made on election day. The warning quoted sections of the law, and emphasized the penalty for violations. It was pointed out that the Democratic cause in Washington county is in a perilous position.

At the recent session of the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Anderson took it upon himself to redistrict the conference. He enlarged the districts by merging some districts in with others. He merged, among others, the Rossmore and Bristol districts, under the name of the Bristol district. Hereafter one superintendent will be in charge of the territory that had been embraced in the two districts. By this means salaries were raised, and additional men were secured for pastorate. The Rev. W. E. Pitts, of Bristol, was re-elected treasurer of the conference. C. C. Morris, acting superintendent of the conference, was appointed superintendent of the Bristol district, succeeding the Rev. W. Grant, who was put in charge of a church in Knoxville.

HERO OF 1860 DEAD

James Carney, Who Saved Ninety-Six

from Wreck, Passes Away.
Chicago, November 3.—James Carney, who saved ninety-six lives from the wreck of the steamer Lady Elgin, on Lake Michigan, in 1860, died at his home in Evanston yesterday, at the age of seventy-two.

The Lady Elgin wrecked off Evanston and 297 people lost their lives. Carney's father, who was the first white settler in Evanston, owned the entire territory now occupied by the north shore suburb.

RECEIVE RED HATS AT HOME

Newly Created Cardinals Must Visit

Rome, November 3.—Pope Pius has decided that all those to be created cardinals at the consistory November 29 must come to Rome to receive their red hats, except the Spanish and Austrian candidates, who, by the terms of the concordat with their countries, must receive the biretta through their sovereigns.

On other occasions, as in the case of the late Cardinal Satolli, who was papal delegate in the United States, the red hat was sent to America, but in the present instance the Pope wishes to avoid the period between this consistory and another later, during which other new cardinals would hold office without the formal and official sanction.

PREDICTS REPUBLICAN BOLT

Speaker Clark Says Insurgents Will

Nominate La Follette.
Fremont, Neb., November 3.—That the Republican party would have two candidates for President in 1912 was predicted by Speaker Clark of the

RECITAL OF BRAVERY FAVORED

Recommendation of Commission to

Teachers' Association at Detroit.
Detroit, Mich., November 3.—The recital of thrilling tales, such as the feat of Wireless Operator Jack Blinn or the heroic acts of Carnegie bravery medal holders, are good methods to use in teaching children to live virtuous lives, is one of the principal features of the primary report of the commission of the State Teachers' Association, now in convention in Detroit. The commission is of the opinion that such methods could be best employed in the fifth grade.

In the same report the commission went on record against direct moral teaching in the schools. It suggests, however, that the schools should respect and assume the existence of religious truths.

The commission declared it believed that the problem of moral training and instruction in the grades can be carried out by the proper application of the usual school subjects, with the careful addition of proper material from literature, art, history and other subjects.

WILL NOT BE DISTURBED

Legislation Not to Affect Railroads'

Relief Associations.
Washington, November 3.—Railroad employees' relief associations will not be disturbed by the proposed employment liability legislation to be submitted to Congress this winter by the congressional committee on employment liability. The number of roads that have their own relief associations were anxious to know just what Congress would expect of them, and to-day representatives of the Pennsylvania, Philadelphia and Reading, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, Baltimore and Ohio, and the Atlantic Coast Line met with Senator Underhill, chairman of the committee, who told them that the proposed legislation would not interfere with the roads' individual plans. If, after investigation, they were found to be satisfactory.

The railroads interested have relief association liabilities amounting to \$200,000,000, and these associations have been in operation on some of the roads for twenty-five years. The railroads felt if Congress enacted such legislation that their own associations would be compelled to discontinue and liquidate, it would result in hardship not only for the railroads, but for the employees as well.

The question will be considered further at a hearing before the full congressional committee Monday.

GREAT STORE MERGER

New Company Will Control Business

in Over 600 Cities.
New York, November 3.—F. W. Woolworth announced to-day that a new corporation is about to be formed under the name of "F. W. Woolworth Company" to take over the business conducted in various cities under the corporate or firm names of F. W. Woolworth & Co., S. H. Knox & Co., F. M. Kirby & Co., E. P. Charlton & Co., C. S. Woolworth, W. H. Moore and W. H. Moore & Son, and also a controlling interest in the English business of F. W. Woolworth & Co., Limited.

This new company will own and control over 600 5 and 10-cent stores doing business in all parts of the United States and in Canada and England. The capitalization of the new company is to be \$15,000,000 7 per cent. preferred stock and \$50,000,000 common stock.

CHARGED WITH MURDER



Mrs. Louise Vermilya, of Chicago, who is accused of murdering a policeman, and may have to face charge of slaying many others whose deaths proved profitable to her in insurance money.

TAFT FINDS WAY TO GET HIS VOTE

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1,500,000 persons, while almost 5,000,000 caught a glimpse of the Chief Executive in any State was made in Kansas, where Mr. Taft delivered thirty-three addresses, four more than he made in Washington, the nearest competitor. Chicago heard him speak eleven times, Los Angeles ten times and St. Louis six times, but many cities got but one address, and at scores of stopping points it was only a "good morning and good-by" from the rear platform.

In the seven weeks the President was away from Washington he was never out of touch with the White House and government affairs. More than 4,500 letters and telegrams were received by Secretary Hilges on the trip, and the mails and telegraph wires were kept busy every day. Although nearly thirty railroads handled the special train, the President was late only once, and that was at Omaha, where the train had been held up in Missouri by a washout.

THORNLESS BLACKBERRIES

Luther Burbank Announces His Latest

Production.
Santa Rosa, Cal., November 3.—Luther Burbank, the naturalist, announced yesterday that he has produced a blackberry bush that has no thorns.

Burbank said he had worked ten years on the blackberry bush in the endeavor to remove its thorns.

Blooms Head Off With Dynamite.

Aspen, Col., November 3.—Placing a stick of dynamite under his head and loading the percussion cap with a snap of his teeth, Frank Strasson, eighty-six years old, yesterday blew off his head. Strasson divorced his wife recently and his domestic troubles are believed to have caused him to take his life. Strasson is said to have lost a fortune in mining operations in the Cripple Creek district.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Increasing cloudiness and warmer Saturday; Sunday cloudy; light, variable winds.

North Carolina—Cloudy Saturday and Sunday; moderate northeast winds.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.

2 P. M. temperature	42
3 P. M. temperature	42
Maximum temperature up to 8	42
P. M. temperature	47
Minimum temperature up to 3	33
P. M. temperature	33
Mean temperature	33
Normal temperature	33
Deficiency in temperature	12
Deficiency in temperature since January 1	53
Accum. excess in temperature since January 1	70
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1	7.53
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since January 1	7.58

Local Observations 8 P. M. Yesterday.

Temperature	28
Humidity	72
Wind—velocity	N. E.
Wind—direction	Clear
Rainfall last twelve hours	0.0

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place	Ther. H. T. L. T. Weather.
Asheville	35 16 23 P. cloudy
Atlanta	42 16 21 Cloudy
Atlantic City	38 45 32 Clear
Boston	40 48 30 Clear
Buffalo	40 40 28 P. cloudy
Calgary	42 48 28 Cloudy
Charleston	62 56 42 Cloudy
Chicago	36 68 26 Cloudy
Cincinnati	50 56 30 Clear
Duluth	30 36 22 Cloudy
Galveston	40 50 44 Cloudy
Hatteras	48 52 48 Clear
Havana	48 54 31 Cloudy
Jacksonville	62 62 54 Cloudy
Kansas City	38 28 28 Cloudy
Louisville	42 44 34 Cloudy
Montgomery	48 56 42 Cloudy
New Orleans	54 48 48 Cloudy
New York	40 48 34 Clear
Norfolk	42 46 38 P. cloudy
Oklahoma	40 40 28 P. cloudy
Pittsburgh	42 42 30 Cloudy
Raleigh	40 46 32 Cloudy
St. Louis	38 40 30 Cloudy
Tampa	48 54 31 Cloudy
San Francisco	62 54 40 Snow
Savannah	50 54 40 Cloudy
Shookane	48 56 36 Clear
Dayton	42 52 34 P. cloudy
Washington	36 42 32 Clear
Winnipeg	34 50 18 Clear
Wytheville	32 46 20 Clear

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

November 4, 1911.
Sun. rises... 6:30
Sun. sets... 5:00

CHARGE OF MURDER FORMALLY MADE

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declared by some to have been a third husband.

Corra Brinkamp, daughter, died when eight years old, at former home, Barrington, Ill.

Florence Brinkamp, daughter, died at four years of age at Barrington. The decision to arrest Mrs. Vermilya was made after a conference of two hours by the examining doctors, Coroner Hoffman, the chief of police, State's Attorney Wayman and other officers who have examined her.

Story Proves Untrue.

When first examined after Brinkamp's death, Mrs. Vermilya declared the policeman was engaged to marry her. This was disproved by the discovery later of his will, made only a short time before, leaving all his property, amounting to about \$1,500, to his fiancée, Miss Laura Rivard, of Marshall, Minn. Other statements made by her also were proven to be untrue, and Captain Harding, while unwilling to arrest her, immediately placed her under surveillance.

This was almost immediately followed by Mrs. Vermilya becoming seriously ill, suffering from convulsions, and appearing to be in almost the same condition that had marked both Smith and Brinkamp before their deaths. An extra guard was placed over her, and nurses were employed to be at her side constantly.

Another surprise was caused last night when she asked permission to call her lawyer and make a will. After this a doctor was called, and announced that she was suffering from pneumonia.

Reports received by the police from Peoria, Ill., where Mrs. Vermilya formerly lived, indicated that corpses had been buried in a cold storage room, and that she had informally attached herself to an undertaking establishment, and spent most of her leisure time aiding the employees.

This was further established by the discovery of an almost equal friendship for an undertaker here.

APARTMENT FOR THE DEAD

Ridgway, Pa., to Have Novel Commu-

Ridgway, Pa., November 3.—Ridgway is to have an apartment house for the dead. An Altoona, Pa., company will erect a huge community mausoleum, which is to contain corpses for the accommodation of 720 bodies, and also a chapel. The right to use the apartments will be sold, and an endowment fund, set aside by the proprietors, will insure perpetual maintenance. The building is to be erected of Ligon stone, and the interior walls and floors will be constructed of marble. The windows will be made of cathedral glass set in metal, and massive bronze doors will guard the entrance.

FEAR SCARLET FEVER

Football Player's Illness Causes Post-

ponement of Game.
Lawrenceville, N. J., November 3.—The annual football game between the Lawrenceville and Mercersburg Academies, scheduled here this afternoon, was indefinitely postponed on account of scarlet fever.

Douglas McKenzie, right halfback of the Lawrenceville team, is ill with the disease, and the authorities of the school called off the game, as they did not desire to take chances of scarlet fever spreading.

Foot Mashed in Wheel.

William Barry, colored, twenty-two years old, of 78 North Thirty-first Street, was severely injured yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock when his foot was caught between two cog wheels of a piece of machinery at the plant of the Richmond Stone Works. Several bones were broken and tendons cut. He was attended by Dr. Hulcher, of the city ambulance.

Janus Lewis, colored, was kicked by a horse while unwhipping it about 5 o'clock at his home, 112 Williams Street. Though no bones were broken the injuries were serious and he was taken to the hospital. He was summoned and the injured man treated by Dr. Hulcher.

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RULE IN MOROCCO IN UNQUESTIONED

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without respect to their nationality, to build railways connecting their concerns with state roads or seaports.

A yearly report of the state railways must be issued after examination by the censors of national bank, who also will have the right to demand additional information from the managers. Troubles between foreign citizens are to be adjudicated by a board of arbitration consisting of the consuls of the countries involved. When they are unable to agree they shall appeal to the French consul, who will co-operate with them in naming a board of arbitration. This process also will apply to grievances against the state and the French.

In the Congo changes are more limited than were first expected. Germany will get only four to seven miles of the Congo River, sufficient to establish a steamer trading station, and cede a small triangle between the Logone and Shari Rivers, south of Lake Echou. Togoland is not mentioned in the treaty.

TIME TO SEE BROOKS'S COMET

Harvard Observatory Astronomers Say

Now Is Best Opportunity.
Cambridge, Mass., November 3.—The present week will offer the best opportunity to see Brooks's comet, according to the Harvard observatory astronomers.

For the past fortnight it has been a conspicuous figure in the eastern sky, but its brilliancy is rapidly diminishing and moonlight will interfere with the clearness after November 10.

At present it is best seen with a field glass or small telescope, although visible to the naked eye. In order to locate it is necessary to face the east about 5 A. M. It will be seen as a hazy star with a long, faint tail extending upward.

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